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Will Cheeseman, 38, boy's track coach at Jeffersonville High School in Jeffersonville, Indiana for the past eight years, has been named men's cross country coach and assistant track coach at the University of Montana. Cheeseman replaces Joe Epler who is pursuing a career in business.

Cheeseman has 16 years of successful coaching experience on the high school level. In his eight years at Jeffersonville, his teams won the conference title five straight years and sectional title six straight years.

A native of Terre Haute, Indiana, Cheeseman received his B.A. from Franklin College in Indiana in 1961. He received his masters degree from Indiana State University in 1966. His undergraduate degree is in health and physical education and history. His masters degree is in health, physical education, and driver's education.

Cheeseman was an all-conference football standout in 1960 and 1961 and was all-conference in baseball all four years of his college career. He played shortstop with the Houston Colts and Washington Senators in Florida's AA league for two seasons, 1962-63.

He coached several outstanding high school track athletes at Jeffersonville, including Tommy Hughes, a freshman at Indiana University who recently won the NCAA indoor 600 yard run.

Cheeseman will begin working with the cross country team next month as he plans to open pre-season training at UM's Lubrecht Forest camp, September 12.

The cross country team begins the season at Whitworth on September 24.

Cheeseman will also be administratively in charge of the women's track program.